

House Resolution No. 1729

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives realize that the rank of Eagle Scout is a performance-based achievement, the proud standards of which have been well maintained for many years; and

Whereas, Scott James Bates of Barnhart, Missouri, will receive the prestigious rank of Eagle Scout during a Court of Honor ceremony to be held on May 21, 2008, at St. John's Lutheran Church; and

Whereas, Scott, a member of Boy Scout Troop 584, successfully met the requirements to attain Eagle status by completing his Eagle project which involved creating a flight cage for large birds of prey at the World bird Sanctuary in Fenton; and

Whereas, during his ten years in Scouting, Scott mastered several challenging and diverse skills to earn the Arrow of Light, twenty-nine merit badges, seven Mile Swim awards, BSA Lifeguard certification, the God and Me award, and Brotherhood membership in the Order of the Arrow, where he has taken part in the Ceremonial Team; and

Whereas, Scott demonstrated his capability and willingness to exert leadership by fulfilling the duties and responsibilities of Patrol Leader, Order of the Arrow Representative, Senior Patrol Leader, Assistant Patrol Leader, and Troop Guide; and

Whereas, the son of Dr. John R. Bates and Monica L. Bates, Scott developed immense personal growth and fitness by participating in the many assorted activities the Boy Scouts offers, some of which include winning the Pinewood Derby; attending six Camporees, five Klondike Derbies, and six summer camps; completing National Youth Leadership Training; and taking part in the Boy Scout National Jamboree in A.P. Hill, Virginia, and the 2006 National Order of the Arrow Conference; and

Whereas, Scott deserves special recognition for the super human strength he demonstrated while carrying his mother, who had broken her leg, over three miles, through four portages on a High Adventure in the Northern Tier, and leading her to safety; and

Whereas, Scott's attainment of the Eagle rank will be recognized at all levels of our society as being a great achievement that required considerable dedication and effort:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in extending our most hearty congratulations to Scott Bates for the steadfast determination he displayed in his pursuit to attain the rank of Eagle and in wishing him continued success in all future endeavors; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Eagle Scout Scott James Bates.

Offered by _____
Representative Jeff Roorda
District No. 102

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1729, adopted April 9, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker